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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: AHRAM REPORT OF GOE MESSAGE TO USG ON
PALESTINE

REF CAIRO 9118

1. REFTEL REPORTED NOV 13 AHRAM ARTICLE WHICH GAVE HIGHLIGHTS
OF ALLEGED GOE MESSAGE TO USG. ACCORDING TO PAPER, MESSAGE SAID
UNG A PALESTINE DEBATE AFFORDS USG POSSIBLY UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO
PLAY POSITIVE ROLE IN SETTLEMENT PROCESS.

2. EGYPTIAN JOURNALIST WITH EXCELLENT MFA CONNECTIONS TOLD US
NOV 14 THAT HIGH MFA OFFICIALS SAID TO HIM OFF THE RECORD THAT
THEY HAD LEARNED ABOUT THE ALLEGED MESSAGE BY READING AHRAM.
THESE UNNAMED OFFICIALS HINTED THAT FAHMY HIMSELF WAS UNAWARE OF
MESSAGE.

3. WE UNDERSTAND ARTICLE WAS WRITTEN BY AHRAM EDITOR IN CHIEF
BAHA AL-DIN. IF IT TRUE THAT FAHMY UNAWARE OF MESSAGE, THEN
SPECULATION HERE IS THAT BABA MUST HAVE BEEN BRIEFED BY SADAT
HIMSELF.

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4. COMMENT: AMBASSADOR ASKED FAHMY TODAY ABOUT ALLEGED MESSAGE TO USG, NOTING NO SUCH MESSAGE EVER GIVEN TO HIM. FAHMY
ACKNOWLEDGED THERE HAS BEEN NO SUCH MESSAGE AND CLAIMED AHRAM
ARTICLE SHEER PRESS SPECULATION.

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